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Mendocino NF seeking input on Black Butte River and Cold Creek Comprehensive River Management Plan

WILLOWS, Calif.; September 28, 2016 – For Immediate Release – The Mendocino National Forest is seeking input on the development of the Black Butte River and Cold Creek Comprehensive River Management Plan (CRMP). The CRMP will address how best to manage the river into the future.

The CRMP will focus on protecting the river's free-flowing condition and water quality as well as the outstanding remarkable values and classification for which the river was designated. A CRMP is required by the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 for each segment to provide for the protection of the river values. The three designated river segments on the Mendocino National Forest are:

- 16 miles of Black Butte River, from the Mendocino County Line to its confluence with Jumpoff Creek were designated as wild.
- 3.5 miles of the Black Butte River, from its confluence at Jumpoff Creek to its confluence with Middle Eel River were designated as scenic.
- 1.5 miles of Cold Creek, from the Mendocino County Line to its confluence with Black Butte River were designated as wild.

The forest is working on the initial steps needed to complete this plan and would like your input on these steps as well as on our approach and management actions. Comments will be most useful if they are received by October 28, 2016. Comments can be sent electronically via email, mailed or faxed. Comments may also be hand-delivered to the Upper Lake Ranger District from 8:00 – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays. The office is located at 10025 Elk Mountain Road, Upper Lake, CA 95485.

Please see more information at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mendocino/home/?cid=FSEPRD517563>

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